

GRAND JURY GRILLS FIVE IN POLICE PROBE; TWO INDICTMENTS POSSIBLE

THREE MORE SOLDIERS SHOT BY MEXICANS IN NEW RAID ON BORDER

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Aug. 9.—Three United States soldiers and fifteen or twenty Mexicans are reported to have been wounded in a battle today at the Norias ranch, where last night five Mexicans were killed, two wounded and two Americans injured.

Jesus Garcia, a well known Brownsville Mexican, who gave information to the authorities concerning the raiders' movements, died today from wounds received in last night's battle.

Military forces here have been increased by one battalion of the Ninth Infantry, which was ordered there from Laredo.

The troops will be used to protect the principal towns in the Brownsville district, he said, so as to leave the cavalry forces free to hunt down Mexican bandits and raiders.

Re-enforcements of thirty-five soldiers and twelve civilians were rushed from Hastingen early today to the Norias ranch.

Troop B, Third United States Cavalry, is en route from Brownsville for the Norias ranch.

Rumor says that at least 200 Mexicans were in the attacking party. The outlaws are said to have attacked the Norias ranch house shortly after dark.

The ranchmen, fourteen in number, defended the house until late last night, and the surviving Mexicans withdrew. In the meantime the sixteen Texas rangers had arrived, and when the Mexicans re-attacked about midnight they were met with a volley which dispersed the party.

The special train with the re-enforcements is due at the Norias ranch early this morning, and the Mexicans are expected to retreat to the south.

ENTIRE SECTION IN TERROR.

All this section of Texas is in terror as a result of the frequent Mexican raids and many trains have been stopped and business practically suspended throughout the threatened territory. Ranchers have been warned that a number of other raiding parties are in the field, and Texas Rangers and armed civilians are being rushed to the exposed points.

Information comes that about 150 Mexicans are at Three Wells, forty-five miles north of Brownsville, and that they are moving on the ranches in that vicinity. Sheriff A. Y. Baker, of Hidalgo county, is reported as saying that 300 Mexicans have crossed the Rio Grande, and are traveling over Hidalgo county in parties of three and four, apparently making their way to some meeting point.

Discussion of the proposed plan by which this Government will obtain the

STRIKE WON'T HIT MEN AT NAVY YARD

Government Machinists Concerned Only With Recent Reduction in Wage Scale.

A nation-wide strike of machinists to gain an eight-hour day would not affect those employed here in the Navy Yard, according to N. F. Alfus, president of the machinists in the Government employ in all parts of the country.

Most of the machinists now working for the Government are satisfied, and the difficulty at the Washington Navy Yard, it was explained, merely concerns the recent reduction of wages, and not working hours.

If such an order is issued by the International Association of Machinists it will not be made applicable to Government employees, it is thought. The Navy Yard workers are further prevented from taking any immediate action by the fact that they have tentatively agreed to delay any action until the conference with President Wilson when he returns. At that time their leaders will take up the question of the lowering of wages, as ordered by Secretary Daniels.

GERMANS LOSE MITAU; CLAIM PRAGA FALLEN

Invaders Retreat in Courland. Praga, Eastern Suburb of Warsaw, Taken by Kaiser.

CLOSING IN ON KOVNO FORT

Novo Georgievsk Completely Surrounded—Ring Is Drawn Tighter About Slavs.

PETROGRAD, Aug. 9.—Unofficial reports reached here this afternoon saying that the Russians have driven the Germans back in Courland and have recaptured Mitau. The war office had no information to make public.

Mitau, capital of Russian Courland, lies twenty-five miles southwest of Riga. The city was evacuated by the Russians before the advance of the extreme German right-wing. Dispatches from Petrograd last night reported the Germans falling back in Courland.

BERLIN (via London), Aug. 9.—German troops have crossed the Vistula and occupied Praga, eastern suburb of Warsaw, the Russians falling back to escape capture by the German armies now closing in upon the angle of the Bug and Vistula rivers.

Before occupying Praga, German artillerymen silenced the Russian batteries which have been conducting a spasmodic bombardment of Warsaw since the Russians were forced to abandon the Polish capital. The Slavs are falling back along the Siedlce railway, attempting to establish communication with their lines northeast of Warsaw.

Close In Pursuit.

Bavarian troops are pressing close in pursuit, and not only are harassing the Russian rear guard, but are threatening to complete the ring around the Russian armies east of Novo Georgievsk. The forts at Novo Georgievsk are now completely surrounded, the war office announced this afternoon. To the north the Germans are closing in upon the fortress of Kovno.

"We took a few thousand prisoners in the fighting around Warsaw," said the official statement. "Our troops who occupied Praga are advancing eastward beyond the city. In the southeast General Mackensen continues to force his attack back."

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GERMANY FIGHTS FOR "HONORABLE PEACE"

Emperor Sees In Capture of Warsaw a Step Forward In That Direction.

BERLIN (via wireless to Sayville), Aug. 9.—Emperor William, replying to congratulations from the King of Wuerttemberg, on the capture of Warsaw, wired as follows:

"We see in this event an important step forward upon the road which God Almighty has led us. Trusting upon and in Him, our magnificent troops will fight on until an honorable peace is assured."

The King Ludwig of Bavaria, addressing a crowd that gathered before his castle to celebrate the fall of Warsaw, declared that the whole German nation will continue to hold out against Germany's enemies "until a happy end is reached."

The Berlin press today laid particular stress upon an article in the Lausanne (Switzerland) Gazette, which, it said, was usually anti-German. The Gazette declared the fall of Warsaw was of gigantic importance because it proved that Russia had lost her offensive powers. The Swiss newspaper declared Russia had lost about 3,000,000 men, the flower of her army, and that the troops now remaining are only undisciplined hordes who need two years' drill to perfect them for service.

Free Dancing at Great Falls, Va.—Adv.

YOUNG ACTORS IN FATAL SHOOTING ACCIDENT



LILLIAN M. REYNOLDS, eight years old, who was shot and killed by her ten-year-old brother ROBERT, on the right.

LITTLE GIRL KILLED BY 'UNLOADED GUN'

Ten-Year-Old Boy Shoots Sister of Eight While Playing With Revolver.

A steel revolver lying on a dining room table and a little white casket in an adjoining room, about which stood a frantic mother and father mutely told the story of another "unloaded gun" tragedy at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Reynolds in Canal road today. The victim of the tragedy, eight-year-old Lillian M. Reynolds, daughter of the couple, came to her death as the result of a shot from the revolver which accidentally "went off" while the child's ten-year-old brother, Robert, was playing with it.

The father of the little victim is a conductor on the Cabin John Bridge line of the Washington Railway and Electric Company. Each afternoon for months he has been met about 6 o'clock as his car passes his home by his wife and the two children, little Lillian and Robert. Expecting the children to follow her to the car line Mrs. Reynolds started on her daily journey to bring her husband home. She had kept the weapon band his dinner yesterday afternoon when she heard the report of a revolver. When she reached her home little Robert was bending over his younger sister. A bullet wound in the child's head and the revolver lying near by told the mother what had happened. When Reynolds reached the spot in the road where his wife and little ones usually met him, he was informed of the tragedy. The little victim was placed aboard her father's car and taken to the Georgetown Hospital. Physicians there declared that death had evidently been instantaneous.

Woman Market Plunger Is Fined for Contempt

NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—Mrs. Sarah L. Robertson, whose adventures in Wall Street a few years ago had all New York gasping, today was fined \$2,000 for contempt of court by Justice Gaveken, of supreme court. She must either pay the fine or go to Ludlow street jail. The court entered the fine when Mrs. Robertson failed to obey a mandate to appear for supplementary examination. The examination grew out of a judgment against her for \$30,000 in favor of the brokerage firm of H. Content & Co.

KAISER FIGHTS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY

Imperial Chancellor's Message to United Press Outlines Germany's Desire.

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NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—On the occasion of the capture of Warsaw, the United Press asked the German Emperor by wireless message for an expression on the historic significance of the victory and for a statement of the basis Germany considers necessary to secure peace in Europe and the surest advancement of civilization.

In reply the following message was received through the Sayville wireless station today from Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, chancellor of the German empire:

Text of Message.

His Majesty, the Emperor, regrets not to be able for reasons of principle, to comply with the request of the United Press for a personal expression at the occasion of the successes of the allied German and Austro-Hungarian armies in Poland. In having the honor to inform you thereof, I add the explanation that Germany connects with these victories especially the hope that the end of the war will be hastened through them.

I beg to remind you at the same time that the Emperor, in all his public utterances, and lately on July 31 of this year, emphasized that Germany is fighting for a peace which will obtain, for it and the powers which on its side wage the great struggle today, the peace which we strive to obtain which it needs for a lasting peace and for its national future.

Beyond Germany's frontier the peace which we strive to obtain will secure to all people the freedom of the seas and will open for all nations the possibility of sharing the work of progress and civilization in free competition.

BETHMANN-HOLLWEG.

Pope Sends Money to German War Sufferers

BERLIN (via wireless to Sayville), Aug. 9.—Pope Benedict has sent a large sum of money for the relief of Roman Catholics in East Prussia whose homes were devastated by the last Russian invasion. It was announced here today. The Pope accompanied his contribution with a letter of sympathy.

BOBO GIVES UP HAITI REVOLT; CHIEFS DISARM

Former Military Leader Announces Himself as Candidate for President.

CAPERTON'S ACTS APPROVED

Admiral Has Fullest Support of Administration in Taking Over Government.

General Bobo, former Haitian revolutionist, has given up his rebellion, ordered his generals in the north to disarm and has announced himself as candidate for President, according to a report to the State Department from Charge Davis, at Port au Prince. Bobo has consented to abide by the results of the election.

In virtually taking over the Haitian government, despite protests by certain native interests, officials here said today that Admiral Caperton was acting with the Washington Administration's full approval.

The objections, it was stated, unquestionably were being raised by men who hoped to profit personally by disorders in the republic; all accounts agreed that the masses were well pleased at the restoration of peace, maintained by American bluejackets and marines. Caperton's work has been thorough. Not only has he secured the presidential election, which was to have been held Sunday, on the ground that it could not safely be held with political excitement so high, but Paymaster Morris, of the cruiser Washington, is administering the Cape Haitien custom house, and it is believed another officer is similarly in charge at Port au Prince.

Revolutionary soldiers are being disarmed, disbanded, and sent home. Caperton reported outbreaks at Croix-des-Bouquets, Aux Cayes, and St. Marc, but said they were promptly suppressed by small American naval detachments. Caperton's forces may not have him from exposure, however, as the police are working on clues that should lead to his real identity.

Their hopes are pinned to letters found on Miller purporting to be from Mrs. Herbert Guy, daughter of Mme. Schumann-Heink. The letters are supposed to have been written before the famous singer married Guy in San Francisco recently. Some of them addressed Miller as "My dear, darling, little Dickie," and were signed "Miral," an endearing Hungarian form of Marie. In one the writer hinted that she would not be averse to marrying Miller.

Mrs. Guy, by telegram from San Francisco, admitted the authorship of the more formal letters to Miller, but declared that he was a "mere acquaintance" made on train trip.

As "Count Richard Miller," Miller ran up a \$50 bill at the leading hotel here, passed several worthless checks, and when he skipped to Salt Lake City left behind several pretty girls with expectations of a moving picture career through his aid, as well as a number of fashionable women decidedly under the spell of his charming personality.

When under the influence of wine Miller hinted at connections with the German secret service, but he was emphatically discredited by the local German consul. Miller's attempt to escape trial by eluding a deputy sheriff and by jumping from a speeding train coming here last week resulted in his death.

\$2.00 Luray and Return, August 15. Special train, Southern Railway, leave Washington 8:10, Alexandria 8:37 a. m. —Adv.

TESTIMONY IS SUFFICIENT TO CAUSE ACTION, HAWKEN HINTS

Superintendent of Police Says Every Lead Is Being Followed to Clear Up the Situation.

Two Men Held in Investigation May Be Released Today. Major Pullman Says Inquiry Is Being Continued.

Five witnesses testified before the grand jury today in the investigation of the police graft charges made by Mrs. Margaret Stout and indictments against two policemen are a possibility.

Assistant Prosecutor S. McComas Hawken summoned eleven witnesses, but only five men, including the two taken into custody on Saturday, gave testimony. Mr. Hawken intimated that he considered the evidence ample to warrant an indictment.

Thomas Horan, a bartender, and Edward Bronson, colored, the two Government witnesses, held in custody since Saturday, had not been released this afternoon, but it is expected they will be given their liberty, perhaps on bond, before night.

PULLMAN IN CONFERENCE.

While the general investigation being made by the United States Attorney's office has not been closed, according to Prosecutor Laskey, the particular angle of the disclosures covered by the witnesses appearing before the grand jury today has been finished.

Major Pullman went into conference with Messrs. Laskey and Hawken before 11 o'clock this morning. The hour when the grand jury convened. Aside from saying that the testimony to be given by the witnesses to the grand jury today cleaned up all tangible accusations growing out of Mrs. Stout's charges, he did not care to discuss the case.

"We are following out every lead and are anxious to clear up the situation as soon as possible," he said.

Other witnesses will be examined by Assistant Prosecutor Hawken in the general probe. A man was taken to a police station as a result of the raid on Stout woman's house in Ontario place, returned to Washington yesterday for a short visit with relatives. He said he had been to Wilmington, Del., where he had been working. He returned there last evening.

Promised No Immunity.

Mrs. Margaret Stout, under sentence of two years in the workhouse on a charge of keeping a disorderly house, who made the disclosures to Assistant Prosecutor S. McComas Hawken, after she had been surrendered by her bondsman, will not go before the grand jury unless absolutely necessary, as the authorities expect to have corroborative evidence.

Prosecutor Hawken says that no promise of immunity of any sort has been given to Mrs. Stout, and that her charges of alleged graft were made voluntarily.

Minimizes Accusations.

Killendine was inclined to minimize the accusations made by Mrs. Stout, saying that she was making a play for sympathy. He was not questioned by either the Government prosecutors or Major Pullman, superintendent of police, although he talked with Detective Cornwell, who saw him at the Union Station.

United States Attorney John E. Laskey and Mr. Hawken and Major Pullman talked to additional witnesses at City Hall yesterday. They said that they were anxious to get the facts into shape for presentation to the grand jury today.